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IN THE CLAIMS SPECIFICATION:

Please replace paragraph 0019 with the following replacement paragraph.

[0019] Figure 2 is a front elevational schematic view of washing machine 10 including wash basket 70 movably disposed and rotatably mounted in wash tub 64 in a spaced apart relationship from tub side wall [[64]] 68 and tub bottom 66. Basket 12 includes a plurality of perforations therein to facilitate fluid communication between an interior 100 of basket 70 and wash tub 64.

Please replace paragraph 0021 with the following replacement paragraph.

[0021] In an alternative embodiment, a known spray fill conduit 114 (shown in phantom in Figure 2) may be employed in lieu of nozzle assembly 112. Along the length of the spray fill conduit 114 are a plurality of openings arranged in a predetermined pattern to direct incoming streams of water in a downward tangential manner towards articles in basket 70. The openings in spray fill conduit 114 are located a predetermined distance apart from one another to produce an overlapping coverage of liquid streams into basket 70. Articles in basket 70 may therefore be uniformly wetted even when basket 70 is maintained in a stationary position.

Please replace paragraph 0036 with the following replacement paragraph.

[0036] Once slow speed spin of basket 70 is initiated, drain system 154 remains activated to drain fluid from wash tub 64, and controller 138 commences spraying 178 articles in basket 70 by activating liquid valves 102 and/or 104 (shown in Figure 2) and facilitating fresh water flow into basket [[170]] 70 through nozzle assembly 112 (shown in Figure 2). In a further embodiment, known additives are included 179 (shown in phantom in Figure 4) in the water spray to assist in the washing or rinsing process. By rotating basket 70 under the nozzle stream, articles in basket 70 are gradually saturated 180 with fluid, additives or no additives, through a

low cost nozzle assembly 112 (shown in Figure 1), and capillary action in the clothes draws water into the clothes and dilutes detergent from clothes in basket [[170]] 70 as basket 70 is continually spun 178 at low speed.

Please replace paragraph 0045 with the following replacement paragraph.

[0045] The above-described fresh water rinse cycle therefore effectively rinses clothes with multiple fresh water rinses and multiple spins while using only about 25% to about 60% of the water used in conventional deep fill rinse machines. In addition, re-circulation components that add additional cost to the machine [[is]] are avoided.[[.]] Still further, the rinse cycle does not employ agitation during rinse portions of the wash cycle, thereby reducing wear on the clothes during washing operations.